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Civil SERIES.

G.O. No. 621 F.

DATED 11-1-24

[Despatch Abstract.]

Grants - Coimbatore District Board - Campaign against relapsing fever in Kollegal taluk - Refused.

C.F. 29—5,000—23-8-23.

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT **DEPARTMENT.**

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Subject.

Subsidy from Provincial funds-Relapsing fever-
Sanction requested.

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R.O.C. No. 2989/D.B. of 23.

Station Coimbatore., *Dated the* 17 th December 1923.

From (Name) M.R.Ry.Rao Sahib C.S.Ratnasabapathy Mudaliar Avergal,

(Designation) President, District Board.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT Department.
MADRAS.

Through

The Director of Public Health,
MADRAS.

Sir,

The District Health Officer, Coimbatore has brought to notice after due enquiry that Relapsing fever has broken out in an epidemic fomin certain villages in Kollegal Taluk bordering the Mysore Province and that there is a danger of infection spreading from village to village. With a view to check the spread of this disease which was known to reach its maximum in the cold weather -

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from December to February, the services of a Sub - Assistant Surgeon were arranged for treating these - cases as the Health Staff could not combat the disease and a special Sub Assistant Surgeon has since reported himself for duty.

As requested by the District Health Officer, Coimbatore in his letter R.O.C.No. 461/P.H. of 23, dated 13-11-1923 copy enclosed, the District Board has in its meeting held on 24th November 1923 sanctioned a ~~xxxxxx~~ peon on Rs.10/- and a sum of Rs.100/- for the purchase of combs, disinfecting materials, cooly wages ~~and~~ to be paid for by the Sub - Assistant Surgeon in his work-please vide District Board Resolution No.491 of 23 dated 24-11-23. The District - Board has in view of its present financial stringency and of the fact that such charges on account of epidemics - should legitimately be borne from Provincial Funds, - resolved that the Government may be requested to pay the cost relating to the incidental charges of the Sub - Assistant Surgeon on special duty from Provincial Funds. I have the honour therefore to request that you will be so good as to move the Government to sanction special - subsidy for the above expenditure, and communicate the - same at an early date.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

President, District Board.

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Copy of letter No.R.O.C.461/P.H.of 23,dated 13-11-1923 - from the District Health Officer,Coimbatore, to the - President, District Board, Coimbatore.

Ref:- Relapsing Fever, Kollegal Taluk.

Attention is invited to the fact that a special Sub - Assistant Surgeon has been appointed to do relapsing fever - duty in Kollegal Taluk in R.No.3158-E,dated 6th November 1923 of the Surgeon-General (copy communicated direct.) It is - requested that early arrangements be made to provide him with the necessary funds to carry on his work. Attention is - invited to my letter R.O.C.17/Camp dated 4th November 1923 - in which I have stated the reasons for requisitioning the - services of a Special man for the work. It is suggested that the following provision be made at once.

1) A peon be provided for him to accompany him into the villages and assist him to carry on the work.

2) A sum of hundred rupees be placed at his disposal.He has to go in for at least 4 or 5 thousand combs (rough wooden ones) for distribution among the poor panchamas who cannot - afford to buy them. He has to go in for soap, kerosine oil, etc, to prepare the necessary disinfectant for lice. He has to pay the coolies who have to be requisitioned in the - villages he goes to for carrying out disinfection of the - hair and clothing of contacts and patients and has also to pay the barbars whose services are availed of in the case of the poor.

3. The Medical officer may be authorised to recoup the money by means of contingent bills.

4. He may be authorised to incur any other expenditure in case of urgent necessity up to the extent of Rs.5/- in - anticipation of sanction. Relapsing fever has been spreading farther and farther into the taluk. At Kondalli, 10 miles -

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further than Hanur, there have been 25 cases within the last two months and Mr.Buchanan tells me that the - Sholegas(hill-tribesmen) in Bylore about 13 miles south of Lokanahalli have been suffereing from it. I trust that under the circumstances immediate attention will be paid to this and the Medical Officer will be given all - facilities to carry on his work. I have already stated that relapsing fever reaches its maximum intensity during the cold months. It is the poorest and the most neglected namely the Panchama, that are most affected. Enquiries - among the Parayas in Kamagarai have shown that almost all the deaths that have taken place among them during - the last year have been due to Relapsing fever.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, COIMBATORE.

Dated 24th November 1923.

Read:--

Correspondence ending with the Dt. Health Officer's letter R.O.C. 461/P.H. of 23, dated 13-11-23 with regard to the prevalence of relapsing fever in the Kollegal Taluk, requesting sanction for the following proposals on a special sub assistant surgeon has been posted by the Surgeon General, Madras for special duty.

(1) That an appointment of a poen to assist the Sub assistant Surgeon to carry on the work be sanctioned.

(2) That a sum of Rs. 100/- be placed at his disposal for the purchase of combs, disinfecting materials, cooly wages etc.,

(3) That the Sub Assistant Surgeon may also be authorised to incur any expenditure in case of urgent necessity up to the extent of Rs. 5/- in anticipation of sanction.

(Rs. 100/- to be met by transfer from General Fund Balance).

D.B. Res. No. 491 of 24-11-23.

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(1) Appointment of a poen on a pay of Rs. 10/- per mensem is sanctioned.

(2) Sanctioned.

(3) Sanctioned.

Government will be requested to pay the cost relating to the above 3 items out of provincial funds.

(Sd) C.S. Ratnasabapathy

President, District Board.

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President, District Board.

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R. No. 1994-5/P.H.

Station Madras. , *Dated the* 20th December, 192 3.

From (Name) Dr. K.T. Matthew, D.Hy.D.P.H.(Cantab.)

(Designation) Ag. Director of Public Health.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Local Self-Government Department.

Sir,

Reference:- Letter from the President, District Board, Coimbatore. R.O.C. No.2989 D.B.of 23 dated 17-12-23.

Forwarded:

It was at the instance of this office, a Sub-Assistant Surgeon, experienced in Relapsing Fever work was deputed by the Surgeon-General to the District. I do not however think that the President is right in saying that charges on account of epidemics should legitimately be borne from the Provincial funds. With the exception

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of Ootacamund, charges on account of the relapsing fever campaign in the several Districts were met by the local - bodies concerned out of their own funds. It is therefore for the orders of Government whether the Subsidy from provincial funds in regard to the incidental charges incurred on account of the deputation of the Sub-Assistant Surgeon should be borne by Government. Owing to the close trade connection between the Districts of Coimbatore and the -- Nilgiris, the intensive measures should be simultaneously carried on in the District also.

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D.Hy.D.P.H.(Cantab.)

Ag. Director of Public Health, Madras.

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No. 62 P H, dated 11-1-1924

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The Govt are not prepared to sanction any special subsidy from Prov funds to the Coimbatore D Bd towards the Cost of the Campaign against relapsing fever in the Kollegal Tk.

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To the P D & S. Coimbatore
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Note

Vide para-2 of G.O 2057 PH dt 22nd Decr. 1923 for precedents.

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